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SUBJ: P.L. 480, TITLE I AMENDMENT - 150,000 MT BARLEY

(A) STATE 018960, (B) SEOUL 10812

1. ECON COUNSELOR REVIEWED REF (A) WITH EPB DIRECTOR
GENERAL OF ECON COOPERATION, TCHAH HWA JUNE, AFTER CHECKING WITH
THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, HE STATED THEY DO
NOT FORESEE ANY NEED FOR IMPORT OF BARLEY THIS YEAR AND
REITERATED THEIR REQUEST TO SUBSTITUTE CORN, TRANSMITTED
BY REF (B).

2. WATER/WEATHER CONTINUES TO BE MORE FAVORABLE FACTOR ON
THE BARLEY SUPPLY SIDE THAN LAST YEAR, WHILE ON DEMAND SIDE,
PRESS ANNOUNCED TODAY ROKG DECISION TO CEASE REQUIRING
TEACHERS TO VERIFY THAT STUDENTS HAVE MIXED BARLEY AND RICE
IN THEIR SCHOOL LUNCHES.

3. REQUESTED INFORMATION FOLLOWS:

RICE YEAR 1978

ESTIMATED BARLEY SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION
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CARRY PUR- IM- MENT STABILI-- CARRY-
MONTHS-CY IN CHASE PORTS USE ZATION OVER

77 - 11	498	-	-	8)	20	470
12	470	-	-	2	29	439
78 - - 1	439	-	-	7	32	400
- 2	400	-	-	4	35	361
- 3	361	-	-	13	37	311
- 4	311	-	-	4	55	252
- 5	252	-	-	4	57	191
- 6	191	-	-	12	52	127
- 7	127	414	-	3	44	494
- 8	494	138	-	4	45	583
- 9	583	-	-	10	31	542
- 10	542	-	-	8	22	512

BARLEY IMPORTS - RICE YEAR

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	1977	1976	197T	1974-	1973	1972
U.S.	482	-	273	407	454	192
AUSTRALIA	-	-	255	39	69	187
TOTALS	482	-	528	446	523	379

NOTE: 67PCT CONVERSION FACTOR FOR POLISHED BARLEY.

4. IN VIEW ABOVE, REQUEST YOUR CONCURRENCE UTILIZE DOLS. 14.5 MILLION (PRESENTLY AVAILABLE UNDER SUBJECT AMENDMENT) TOWARDS CORN PURCHASE. WOULD APPRECIATE EARLIEST ADVICE POSSIBLE, AS WELL AS NOTIFICATION TONNAGE INVOLVED AND UMR REQUIREMENTS.
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